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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Application of : **BEN-HAIM et al.**

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Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Before examining the above-referenced application,
kindly amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly amend claims 9, 11, 13, 23, 25, 27, 36, 38,
40, 43, 44, 54, 56, 67, 69, 79, 81 and 84, so that the
claims read as follows. A marked-up version of the
amended claims is attached hereto as an Appendix.

9. A method according to claim 1, wherein applying the
pulses comprises applying electrical energy to the heart
at a peak rate which is less than about 100 W.

11. A method according to claim 1, wherein applying the
pulses comprises applying respective signals at a
plurality of sites on the heart.